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Brief Summary of Selected Substantive Portions of this Response

[0001] In a telephone discussion (on January 23, 2008), the Examiner indicated that the cited references did not disclose the claim language in our proposed amendments. Specifically, the Examiner agreed that the cited art failed to teach functions performed "by head-end equipment".

[0002] This brief summary is not intended to represent the Applicant's full response to the Action. Rather, it is merely a brief summary of selected substantive portions of the response herein.